JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW FAR 13.106-1 (OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3.5K) BUT NOT EXCEEDING THE SAT (\$150K))

IAW <u>FAR13.104</u>, COs must promote competition to the maximum extent practicable to obtain supplies and services from the source whose offer is the most advantageous to the Government, considering the administrative cost of the purchase. When competition is not practicable, IAW <u>FAR13.106-1(b)</u>, COs solicit from a single source for purchases not exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold. COs may solicit from one source if the CO determines that the circumstances of the contract action deem only one source reasonably available (e.g., urgency, exclusive licensing agreements, brand-name or industrial mobilization). IAW <u>FAR13.106-3(b)(3)</u>,COs are required to include additional statements **explaining the absence of competition** (see <u>13.106-1</u> for brand name purchases) if only one source is solicited and the acquisition does not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold (does not apply to an acquisition of utility services available from only one source) or supporting the award decision if other than price-related factors were considered in selecting the supplier. This template when completed can be used to document single source awards IAW <u>FAR13.106-3(b)(3)</u>. Note: Statements such as "only known source" or "only source which can meet the required delivery date" are inadequate to support a sole source purchase.

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:

Guidant Vasoview 6 Harvesting Cannula REF-VH-4000, Vein Harvesting System.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:

Maquet is the original equipment manufacturer of this item. This item is highly specialized and used during coronary bypass procedures. Other companies make similar products, but are not exactly the same. This item is disposable and is the only system that is controlled by foot pedal. The Minneapolis VA Health Care System owns the equipment that these components attach to and warranties would be voided if the OEM's components are not used.

4. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:

The CV Team is in the middle of a study and this is the item being used and needs to be standard throughout the study. The study is only about halfway done and it would be detrimental to change part way through, the study would no longer be viable. VetBiz was checked and no SDVOSB's or VOSB's were found, this meets the requirement of PL 109 and Acq Flash 1616.

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| 5. Contracting Officer's Certification : Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR13.106-1(b). I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. Note: COs are required to make a determination of price reasonableness IAW FAR 13.106-3. See the Commercial Supply and Service SOP for Price Reasonableness templates. | | |
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